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times demands reduction, in prices as well as in wages, and we have the hope that, in making this change, our patrons will find it so to their advantage as to enable them to be more liberal of their favors. The discount business has fallen into such demoralization that advertisers, as well as other purchasers, are apt to judge of prices less by the actual value of what they receive than by the discount they get off what they suppose other people pay. The schedule system has already been put in practice by one prominent journal, and we believe with satisfaction to all sides. In this, as in all things, we are of course dependent entirely on the good-will of the trade, as expressing their self-interest in supporting an independent trade journal, but we look to that good-will to support us in the present change, which we believe to be to the advantage of the trade.

In making this announcement, it is but fair to take this opportunity to say that the WEEKLY has never yet approached the ideal of what we desire to give to the trade. We have tried to do as well as we could with the resources put at our command by our patronage. The bibliographical department,—which is, after all, our chief work, the alphabet of the bookseller,—systematized as it is into the shape found most useful to the trade, in weekly, order, monthly, and annual lists, requires an outlay peculiar to this journal—the fair equivalent in fact of the full service of more than one experienced and capable person—and, imperfect as it so far is, this takes so much from the possibility of expenditure in space for reading matter. The WEEKLY, we confess, has not always been so readable as it might be, chiefly because we were obliged as a question of economy to omit all matter not important for practical trade purposes. As its patronage approaches that accorded to foreign book-trade journals, we promise that the trade shall have no reason to complain either of the fulness or readability of our matter. And so we bespeak for the WEEKLY the continued favor of the American book trade, which it will endeavor more and more worthily to represent.

THE trade sale opened on Wednesday, with the best attendance of any sale for years, all the leading houses being represented. The bidding was good, though wary, and very fair trade-sale prices were obtained on the desirable books. We defer our report, although partly in hand, to our next issue, in order to give it compactly for reference. Of the preceding sale of plates and Catholic books, we give a full report in this number: at this the prices were very low.

AT the desire of the Putnam and Appleton houses, in which other houses were under-

stood to coincide, Messrs. Leavitt requested the daily press not to report prices, a sensible action, as the sale is peculiarly a trade matter, and the public is apt to be practically misled by the prices reported. At the same time, it must be said that this will not cover the difficulty, because the purchasers themselves at once advertise "trade-sale slaughters," and you can't check a disease by repressing the symptoms. An interesting question came up in the course of the bidding, as to whether lots of a thousand *Favorite Tennyson* (a wonderfully cheap and beautiful book, by the way) might be offered at fresh bidding, after the disposal of the 5000 catalogued. It seems at first sight that Mr. Foster was right in the position he took from the floor, and that there was nothing legally in the way, the question being essentially the same as that of duplicating. On the other hand, such a practice would tend to demoralize bidding for big lots on the regular lines, and Mr. Ticknor showed tact and was practically wise in declining to offer extra lots so long as objection was made.

THE TRADE SALES: PRELIMINARY DAY.

ON Tuesday, Sept. 18th, the Fall trade sales were opened by Geo. A. Leavitt & Co. with a preliminary catalogue of stereotype and electrotype plates, with copyrights and remainders, and several invoices of Catholic publications. The book-plates offered, comprising over a hundred sets, were of works many of which rank higher than the usual run of plates thus transferred, but the prices ran lower than usual, many bringing but metal prices; some works of note of a few years back were, in fact, bought by stereotypers for the material. The morning's sale embraced the plates of a large portion of the publications of J. B. Ford & Co., including most of the works of H. W. Beecher, those of the publications of the late W. B. Evans, of Philadelphia, and the late William J. Hammersley, of Hartford, sold in liquidation of their estates, and those of about forty Catholic works published by M. A. Walsh, of Cincinnati. The Beecher books were all taken on account of the author by a Mr. Sykes. The plates belonging to the Evans estate were all knocked down to Mr. Howard Challen, of Philadelphia. Messrs. Lippincott and the Central Book Concern, of Oskaloosa, Ia., were the largest buyers in the morning's sale, besides R. W. Shoppell, of New York, a jobber in electrotype plates and cuts, and "Lovejoy," "Reynolds," "J," and "M," all which are understood to represent the melting-pot. Mr. Raymond's novel of "Brave Hearts" was bought in by the author, and Mr. Eggleston's "Circuit Rider" was also purchased in his interest. The following is the list of the plates and prices:

7. B. FORD & CO.

Barr, Amelia E.—Romances and Realities. 12°, pp. 432. \$1.50. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$27. (Rem. 300 @ 2½ c.) *Lovejoy.*
Beecher, Cath. E.—Principles of Domestic Science. Illus. 12°, pp. 300. \$1.50. (Copyr. 12½ p. c. on wh. pr.) \$33. (69 @ 10 c.) *Shoppell.*

- Beecher, H. W.—Sermons, 1869-1873. 10 vols. With Portrait and View of Plymouth Church. 8°, about 475 pp. \$2.50. (Copyr. 12½ p. c. on wh. pr.) \$47.50 per vol. (45-396 @ 7½ c.)
—Sermons (New Series) 1873-1875. 4 vols. 12°, about 600 pp. each. (Unpublished.) \$1.75. (Copyr. as above.) \$57.50 per vol.
—A Summer Parish. 12°, pp. 240. \$1.50. (Copyr. as above.) \$37.50. (400 @ 6 c.)
—Yale Lectures on Preaching. Unif. Ed. 3 series. 12°, about 300 pp. each. \$1.25. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$37.50.
—Lectures to Young Men. Unif. Ed. 12°, pp. 506. \$1.50. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$80.
—Star Papers. Unif. Ed. 12°. \$1.75. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$85. (1200 @ 16 c.)
—Pleasant Talk about Fruit, Flowers, and Farming. Unif. Ed. 12°, pp. 498. \$2. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$42.50. (132 @ 12½ c.)
—Lecture-Room Talks. Unif. Ed. 12°, pp. 384. \$1.75. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$30. (128 @ 15 c.)
—Norwood. Unif. Ed. Illus. 12°, pp. 549. \$2. (Copyr. 12 p. c.) \$42.50.
—Overture of Angels. 16°. \$1.50. (No copyr.) \$14. *Shoppell.*
—Eyes and Ears. 12°, pp. 420. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$32.50.
—Freedom and War. 12°, pp. 455. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$40.
—Royal Truths. 12°, pp. 324. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$35.
—Views and Experiences of Religious Subjects. 12°. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$32.50.
All H. W. Beecher's works, the "Overture of Angels" excepted, bought in for *Author.*
- Beecher, Mrs. H. W.—Motherly Talks with Young Housekeepers. With Portr. 12°, pp. 512. \$2. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$40. (479 @ 16 c.) *For Author.*
Burges, A.—The American Kennel and Sporting Field. Illus. 12°, pp. 201. \$4. (No copyr.) \$35. (252 @ 7 c.) *Shoppell.*
Churton, H.—Toinette. 12°, pp. 510. \$1.50. \$30. *Lovejoy.*
Eggleston, Edw.—The Circuit Rider. Illus. 12°, pp. 510. \$1.75. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$105. (200 @ 45 c.) *For Author.*
Fabre, F.—The Abbé Tigrane. 12°, pp. 272. \$1.50. (No copyr.) \$19. (80 @ 7½ c.) *Shoppell.*
Gray, Robertson (R. W. Raymond).—Brave Hearts. Illus. 12°, pp. 288. \$1.75. (No copyr.) \$40. (140 @ 21 c.) *For Author.*
Greenwood, Grace.—New Life in New Lands. 12°, pp. 416. \$2. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$27. (586 @ 4 c.) *Shoppell.*
Perrier, Amelia.—A Good Match. 12°, pp. 388. \$1.50. (No copyr.) \$22. *Shoppell.*
Perkins, Eli.—Eli Perkins (at large). Illus. 12°, pp. 266. \$1.25. (No copyr.) \$27. (164 @ 4 c.) *Lippincott.*
Randall, S. S.—History of the State of New York. Illus. 12°, pp. 390. \$1.50. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$33. (128 @ 7 c.) *Shoppell.*
Starr, George O.—Handbook for Riflemen. Illus. 18°, pp. 66. 50 c. (No copyr.) \$9. (2000 @ ½ c.) *Shoppell.*
Verdi, T. S., M.D.—Maternity. 12°, pp. 452. \$2. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$55. (132 @ 25 c.) *Boericke & Tafel.*
—Mothers and Daughters. 12°, pp. 292. \$1.50. (Copyr. 10 p. c.) \$35. (500 @ 4 c.) *Boericke & Tafel.*

ESTATE OF W. B. EVANS.

- Talmage, Rev. T. De Witt.—Crumbs Swept up. Illus. 12°, pp. 446. (No copyr.) \$120.
Finley, Martha.—Wanted a Pedigree. Large 12°, pp. 528. (Copyr. 12 c. a copy.) \$52.50.
The Book of Blunders.—Pp. 212. \$13.
Lossing, B. J.—Lives of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence. Illus. 12°, pp. 384. \$40.
Finley-Farquharson, Martha.—An Old-Fashioned Boy. Illus. Pp. 346. (Copyr. of 10 c.) \$52.50.
Mumford, Mary E.—A Born Romp. Illus. Pp. 350. \$27.50.
Wright, Julia McN.—Two Boys. Illus. Pp. 371. \$32.50.
Brooks, Detective.—Whiskey Drips. Illus. 12°, pp. 348. (Copyr. of 12 cents.) \$24.
Farquharson, Martha.—Lillian; Did She Do Right? Illus. 8°, pp. 104. \$5.
What I know about Cooking. 16°, pp. 454. \$27.50.

All the Evans plates bought by *Howard Challen.*

ESTATE OF W. J. HAMMERSLEY.

- Robbin.—Outlines of History. 12°, pp. 484. \$2.40. \$100. *Reynolds.*

- Frost.**—Class-Book of Nature. 12°, pp. 283. 75 c. \$30. *J.*
Gallaudet and Hooker.—The Practical Spelling Book. 12°, pp. 168. 25 c. \$5. *J. W. Bliss, Hartford.*
Scribner.—Engineers' and Mechanics' Companion. Tucks. Pp. 264. \$2. And, Scribner's Engineers', Contractors' and Surveyors' Pocket Table Book. Pp. 266. \$2. \$100 per vol. *Van Nostrand.*
Goodrich.—Greek Grammar. 12°, pp. 236. \$1.50. \$25. *J.*
Sophocles.—Greek Grammar. 12°. \$2. \$25. *Reynolds.*
Felton.—Greek Reader. 12°. \$2.25. \$25. *Reynolds.*
Woodbridge.—Modern School Geography. \$10. *M.*
Woodbridge and Willard.—Universal Geography. \$25. *M.*
Willard.—Ancient Geography and Atlas. \$6. *Shoppell.*
Sophocles.—Greek Lessons; and, Sophocles' Greek Exercises. \$7 each. *M.*
Pearl.—On the Mind. \$6. *Shoppell.*
Hawes, Joel, D.D.—Gift for Young Men.—Vernon, Emily, Gift for Young Ladies—Sigourney, Weeping Willow.—Smith, Mrs. E. O., Poetic Gift.—The Ladies' Vase. By a Lady.—Everest, Rev. C. W., The Primrose.—Everest, Rev. C. W., The Harebell. 6 works together. 32°. \$2.50 each. *M.*
Sigourney, L. H.—Whisper to a Bride. \$4. *Central Book Concern.*
Life of Rev. Joel Hawes. 8°. \$25. *M.*
Temple Melodies. 2 sets. 8° and 12°. \$7. *Central Book Concern.*

Booth's History of New York received no offer, and was passed. The late G. W. Matsell's "Vocabulum, or Rogue's Lexicon," was knocked down at \$5 to Shoppell. A long list of steel plates for engravings, 593 in number, sent by L. A. Godey, drew no bid, and their sale was postponed till Thursday.

The afternoon's sale commenced with about forty sets of book-plates, sent by M. A. Walsh, of Cincinnati, for a few of which there was lively competition, but the greater number seemed from the offers scarce worth reissuing. The largest buyers were Kehoe and Benziger Brothers, of New York, and Murphy & Co., of Baltimore. The list of books and prices was as follows:

- Rosary and Scapular Book.** Illus. 32°, pp. 64. \$3. *Kehoe.*
Michel.—A Treatise on Despondency. 18°, pp. 168. \$4. *Benziger.*
Daurignac's History of the Society of Jesus. 8°, pp. 808. \$35.
Father Arnoudt's Imitation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. 8°, pp. 900. (Copyr. 8 p. c.) \$300. *Benziger.*
The Little Manual. 32°, pp. 247. \$300. Bid in for a correspondent by Mr. Leavitt.
Barry.—The Sacramentals of the Church. 12°, pp. 258. \$10. *Kehoe.*
O'Leary.—A Catholic's Apology. 18°, pp. 112. \$3. *Benziger.*
Valle.—A Family of Martyrs. 12°, pp. 81. \$7. *Benziger.*
Gother.—A Papist. 18°, pp. 131. \$3. *Benziger.*
Hamon.—Treatise on the Catechism. 18°, pp. 177. \$3. *Benziger.*
Purcell.—Preface, etc. 12°, pp. 120. \$2. *Benziger.*
Fitzgerald.—Caseine. 12°, pp. 314. (Without the copyr.) \$4. *Kehoe.*
Challoner.—Catholic Christian Instructed. 18°, pp. 200. \$50. *Murphy.*
Counsels of a Christian Mother. 18°, pp. 252. \$8. *Benziger.*
Mason.—Developments of Protestantism. 12°, pp. 172. \$2. *Benziger.*
Eliza Despres. 18°, pp. 148. \$18. *Murphy.*
Fifty Reasons, etc. 18°, pp. 131. \$27.50. *Kehoe.*
Geography of Ireland. 12°, pp. 26. 50 c. *Kehoe.*
Galileo. Edited by James F. Meline. 12°, pp. 68. \$1. *Benziger.*
A Kempis.—Imitation of Christ. 32°, pp. 360. \$9. *Kehoe.*
McGuire.—Lenten Lectures. 2 vol. 12°. \$5 per vol. *Kehoe.*
Macleod.—Legends of Holy Mary. 12°, pp. 71. \$3. *Murphy.*

- Pinamonti.**—Meditations. 32°, pp. 64. \$1. *Murphy.*
Peter, Sarah.—Price of a Soul. 18°, pp. 52. \$2. *Murphy.*
Shadows of the Road. 12°, pp. 204. \$7. *Murphy.*
Leonard of Port Maurice.—The Hidden Treasure. 18°, pp. 186. \$32.50. *Benziger.*
Purcell.—Marriage and Family Duties. 24°, pp. 43. \$2. *Kehoe.*
Macleod.—Our Lady of Litanies. 12°, pp. 250. \$10. *Murphy.*
Rosecrans.—The Divinity of Christ. 18°, pp. 142. \$3. *Benziger.*
Challoner.—Think Well on It. 18°, pp. 225. \$5. *Benziger.*
The Touchstone of the New Religion. 32°, pp. 64. \$1.50. *Benziger.*
Heylen.—Progress of the Age. Pp. 108. \$2. *Benziger.*
The Popular Hymn-Book. With music. \$15. *Benziger.*
The Holy Way of the Cross. Pp. 64. \$4.50. *Murphy.*
Pious Guide. 18°, pp. 602.
Key of Heaven. Pp. 476.
Christian's Guide. 32°, pp. 502.
Devout Manual. 32°, pp. 350.
Catholic Divinity. 18°, pp. 416.
Little Mission Book. Illus. 32°, pp. 192.
Path to Paradise. 64°, pp. 384.
Jesus Meine Liebe. 18°, pp. 608. The above seven prayer-books were sold together, for \$500 the lot, to the buyer of the "Little Manual."

The large invoices of Kelly, Piet & Co., of Baltimore, Eugene Cummiskey, of Philadelphia, and J. A. Magee and P. O'Shea, of New York, ran very low. The bidding was so feeble on devotional books, especially on handsomely-made prayer-books and the like, that very many lots were not forced to a sale, one whole invoice indeed being withdrawn. The Catholic novels and Irish books made the fairest average, selling usually at 20 to 30 per cent of list prices.

STATIONERY NOTES.

We shall be glad to receive, for gratuitous notice, samples or brief descriptions of all novelties of general trade interest, of which small cuts will be inserted if furnished. Buyers ordering or making inquiry as to goods from the notices in our columns will confer a favor by mentioning the PUBLISHERS' WEEKLY as the source of their information.

R. S. MERRILL, Boston, Mass., has patented a picture-book composed of sheet metal, made in the form of a double book, from a single sheet of metal, broad at the moulding, or rail-hook end, and narrow at the opposite end.

JOSEPH SALTER, Brooklyn, N. Y., has patented an envelope-opener made of soft metal. It is of round shape, with a combination movable hinged blade at the top, the largest part of the circle forming the handle.

E. CASPER, London, Eng., assignor to F. C. De Lousada, also of London, and W. D. S. Moncrieff, Glasgow, Scotland, has patented in the United States a temporary binder for filing letters. It is a combination of right-angled parts, with adjustable clip fixed with a clamping screw, on which are attached boards or flaps.

MR. CHARLES BAINBRIDGE, of Porter & Bainbridge, of New York, has a new card-writer's pencil for writing on enamelled cards. It is nicely finished, and equal to anything put on the market of its kind. They also have a fine line of enamelled card-board in white and two delicate tints.

GEO. W. MABIE, Brooklyn, N. Y., has patented as a new article of manufacture a pen-holder. The stock is fitted in one end of the

outer barrel, and an inner barrel fitted in the other, which is so shaped as yield to and accommodate pens having different sized and shaped shanks.

G. A. McLANE, Chicago, Ill., has patented a pencil sharpener consisting of two spring depressed converging cutters, whose edges are directed toward the pencil point, and a tubular guide for the pencil, of sufficient length to cause the pencil to move in parallel longitudinal lines, and so placed relative to the cutters as to direct the pencil centrally between the latter.

C. C. SHEPHERD has in course of manufacture a combined writing and slate desk, which promises to be quite a novelty, and a useful article for school-children as well as an instructive toy. The success his desk slate has met with in the trade and among the little ones is an assurance that this last article will eclipse all other articles of similar construction. Samples will be sent to all responsible houses by J. G. Kent, 145 Nassau street, New York.

LITERARY AND TRADE NOTES.

A NEW and thoroughly revised edition of Bryan's "Dictionary of Painters and Engravers" is in course of preparation in England.

JOHN MURPHY & Co. have just published the third edition of Dr. Samuel Tyler's "Discourse of the Baconian Philosophy."

HENRY A. YOUNG & Co., Boston, will publish, about the middle of October, "The Wooden Spoon," by Park Ludlow, an illustrated story, forming the third volume of the "Red Shanty Series."

"OUT of Doors at Long Look," the second volume in the "Long Look Series," by Rev. Edward Abbott,—an excellent series of stories by an excellent writer,—will be published soon by Noyes, Snow & Co., of Boston.

THE fourth volume from "Aunt Jo's Scrap Bag," by Miss Alcott, is coming in October or November. It will be about "My Girls," as a complement to the previous book on "My Boys," and hosts of girls and boys will wait for it with eager impatience.

MOSES H. SARGENT & SONS, Boston, have now ready a pamphlet by Rev. Dorus Clarke, D.D., answering the question "What is the True Idea of the Tri-Unity of God?" It was originally read before the Congregational Ministers' Meeting, and was liked so well that a formal request was made for its publication.

THE next number of the "No Name Series" is "Will Denbigh, Nobleman," and will be published on or before the middle of October. The title recalls Miss Mulock's most famous story, and its English name suggests the query whether this may not be the "No Name" story which it was said Mr. Hamerton was to furnish. Will Denbigh is understood to be one of Nature's noblemen.

J. H. BUTLER & Co. have just published a key to their new series of arithmetics. Thus far they have taken exceedingly well, having sold fifteen thousand since last June, and that, too, in the dullest months of the year. The handy little volume of the "Ten Times Ten Series" known as "Butler's Selections," volume second, has made its appearance. J. P.

McCaskey is the editor. They are bound both in paper and cloth.

THE PRESBYTERIAN BOARD, have now ready the work of the Rev. Thomas Murphy, D.D., "Pastoral Theology." This work is based on the lectures delivered by Dr. Archibald Alexander, who was one of the leading professors at Princeton in his day, and one of the greatest lights of the Presbyterian Church. Dr. Murphy attended his lectures when a young man, and took notes which he has now elaborated, and to which he has added the result of his own experience of many years.

HERETOFORE A. & B. Conybeare and Howson's "Life of St. Paul" has been too expensive for general use. But the new edition just published by William Syclemore, of Philadelphia, is so extremely cheap that every one can possess a copy. Of course, it has not all the advantages of the finer edition. There are but few notes and no maps, but the latter deficiency can readily be made up. It is a 12mo of some seven hundred pages, and is nicely printed and bound, for \$1.50.

JAMES R. OSGOOD & Co. have just issued in their "Household Edition" the "Poetical Works" of Oliver Wendell Holmes, and in the "Vest-Pocket Series" "The Farmer's Boy," by Robert Bloomfield; "Favorite Poems," by George Herbert; "A Midnight Fantasy," by T. B. Aldrich; and "A True Story," by Mark Twain; "Horatius and Virginia," by Lord Macaulay; "Lake Regillus, Ivry, and other Lays," by Lord Macaulay; "Favorite Poems," by Schiller, translated by Bulwer; and "Favorite Poems," by Sir Walter Scott.

DR. SCHLEIMANN's long-looked-for work on "Discoveries at Ancient Mycenæ" will be published late in the fall in an American copyright edition (Dr. Schliemann being an American citizen), by Messrs. Scribner, Armstrong & Co., in one large handsome volume, with many hundred illustrations. It will appear simultaneously with the English edition from the press of the London publishing house of John Murray. The work is being translated into both French and German, and will be published at the same time in Paris by MM. Hachette et Cie., and in Leipzig by Messrs. Brockhaus.

BOOK NOTICES.

THE BODLEYS TELLING STORIES. (Hurd & H.) "Doings of the Bodley Family in Town and Country," by the same author, will be remembered as one of the most charming juveniles, both in reading matter and in illustrations, of a past season. The above volume, in which the same little characters appear again, the wise Nathan, the saucy Phippy, Lucy, with Martin the coachman, cousin Ned, and Mr. and Mrs. Bodley, is made up in almost a similar style, the contents, however, being fresh and new, and exceedingly interesting and entertaining. There is a succession of stories told by the different characters both in prose and verse, and both of a serious and instructive nature, as well as merely humorous and amusing. The illustrations are scattered all through the text, in the form of most exquisite little vignettes and full and half-page pictures. The illustrations are among the very finest of the kind we have seen in any similar juvenile

work. The greatest novelty is the binding, which is a new departure altogether, nothing like it having hitherto been attempted. It is fancy boards, Japanese in character, but so eccentric in design that it is almost impossible to describe it. On the outside of the two covers the design extends diagonally across the back from the upper right-hand corner to the lower left, one half being a pale gray ground with light blue figures upon it, with the firm's monogram in gold, red, black, and blue on the front cover; the other half, a dead black, bears the title in front, in odd-looking red lettering, while the back cover is adorned with gold stars, a young moon, and some striking red lines which might be forked lightning. The linings are even more elaborate than the exterior. Light blue is the dominant color here, the illuminations being in scarlet, gold, and black, the design extending across the lining of the cover and its accompanying leaf. Nothing so novel, pretty, and attractive, and so elaborate and artistic, has been shown before in the binding line. All the mechanical parts of the book are of the finest workmanship. The book is nevertheless issued at the very low price of \$1.50. Sq. 8vo.

THE POETIC INTERPRETATION OF NATURE, by J. C. Shairp. (Hurd & H.) Some general views as to the sources of poetry, the poetic feeling awakened by the world of nature, the mystical side of nature, are given in the opening chapters, followed by special illustrations pointing to the several methods which the poets have actually followed in delineating nature and her numerous aspects. The book is the result of some lectures given by the author to a large popular audience about a year ago. The object of the lectures was to add a kind of literary supplement to a course of lectures on physical subjects delivered by Prof. Shairp's colleagues at about the same time, the author believing that some good might be done if he could succeed in bringing before his hearers the truth that while the several physical sciences explain each some portion of nature's mysteries, yet, after all the physical sciences have had their say, there remains a further truth regarding nature with which, real and interesting though it is, science does not intermeddle. It is this relation which exists between nature and the imaginative soul of man which he would demonstrate, and which he uses poetry and the poets to interpret. The lectures were designed at first mainly for the young, but will please all cultivated readers. 12mo, \$1.25.

BURGOYNE'S CAMPAIGN AND ST. LEGER'S EXPEDITION, by William L. Stone. (Munsell.) The story of the Battle of Saratoga or Bemis Heights has only within a recent period been written with clearness and accuracy. The historian depended hitherto upon loose and hurried reports of prisoners taken at the time, and the biased testimony of interested parties, for a narration of the strategic movements of the English and German troops. The story was naturally one-sided, and covered up deficiencies and errors in our own generals which only the plain truth on both sides could dissipate. This the reader will find here, the contents of the volume being largely based upon two important works lately published in Germany, consisting of some sixty manuscript journals

and orderly books written during the Revolution by Brunswick and Hessian officers who served here during that time. Mr. Stone is the author of "Life and Times of Sir William Johnson" and other works. With engravings. 12mo, cloth, \$2.25.

AHN'S SECOND GERMAN READER, with Footnotes and Vocabulary by Dr. P. Henn, and AHN'S SECOND GERMAN READER, with Notes and Vocabulary by Dr. P. Henn. (Steiger.) As may be seen from the above titles, this work is issued in two editions: the first has the notes on each page under the text; the second, the notes will be found immediately at the end of the text. The matter in both editions is exactly similar, the different arrangements being made to meet the different views of teachers. Care should be taken in ordering to give the title in full, to avoid mistakes. The Reader is for advanced classes, is carefully graded, the selections being chiefly stories, lively conversations, and bright descriptions. A novel feature is the introduction of newspaper paragraph and business forms, designed to show the best present usage in regard to these subjects. A separate Key to the Reader is published for the convenience of teachers and private learners. Readers, 12mo, bds., \$1; half roan, \$1.20. Key, 50 cents.

CÆSAR'S COMMENTARIES ON THE GALlic WAR, with notes, vocabulary, and maps, by G. K. Bartholomew. (Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co.) The text of this edition is chiefly based on the readings of Dinter and Krauer. The notes on the first four commentaries have been prepared by a careful study of the text, word for word, the critical annotations of Herzog, Schneider, Freund, Krauer, Doberenz, Heller, Ritter, and Hinzpeter having been freely used. These notes are designed to serve both pupil and teacher in stimulating investigation; hence constant references are made to Bartholomew's Grammar and to other sources of help, while many suggestive questions are left unanswered. The text of the remaining three commentaries is presented without notes, as few students read more than four books of the Gallic War. Great care has been taken to make the vocabulary accurate and serviceable. The typographical excellence of the volume is noticeable. 12mo, cloth, 90 c.

HOUSEHOLD EDUCATION, by Harriet Martineau. (Osgood.) Harriet Martineau's statements in her autobiography about her own unhappy childhood, and the evident sympathy she betrays all through her work for the unconscious, cruel, and unwise treatment often extended by cultured people to their little ones, has awakened a new interest in her views on household education, fully expressed in this volume, originally issued as far back as 1848. It is probably one of the most helpful and useful books Miss Martineau ever wrote, and is full of the wisest suggestions to parents for the physical, intellectual, moral, and social training of their children, all of a practical character, and based on the soundest philosophical principles. Its reissue in a new and handsome dress will be cordially welcomed by Miss Martineau's numerous readers and admirers. "Little Classic" style, \$1.25.

EPOCHS OF MODERN HISTORY: THE AGE OF ANNE, by Edward E. Morris. (Scribner, A. & Co.) These epochs of history have done such

efficient aid in the school-room, and are so thoroughly appreciated by teachers as the best method of impressing all the various details of a certain period upon the mind of a pupil, with all their surrounding causes, that further notice is scarcely necessary in citing the fact of a new volume being out. Mr. Morris, a teacher himself, is specially happy in the manner in which he puts his facts before the student, and in his method of relating them. His pages are never dull, and though he disclaims any originality or new information—his work, he admits, being a clever compilation from the writings of both French and English historians—it needs a special gift to select the best and weave it into so perfect a whole as the little book before us. It contains maps and plans, and is issued uniform with the other volumes of the series. 16mo, cloth, \$1.

THE NATURALISTS' GUIDE, by C. J. Maynard, with illustrations by E. L. Weeks. (Naturalists' Agency, Salem, Mass.) This is a new and revised edition of a work formerly on the Osgoods' list. It is intended to meet the wants of young naturalists in collecting and preserving objects of natural history. The late Prof. L. Agassiz says of it: "I have carefully examined Mr. Maynard's work on Taxidermy. It is a well-digested, thoroughly practical treatise of the subject. Nothing of the kind has yet been published in the United States, and, with the growing taste for natural history among our young people, I should expect an extensive demand for such a book. Moreover, the second part, in which the birds of Eastern Massachusetts are enumerated, contains many valuable notices upon the habits and distribution of our birds, interesting even to the advanced students of natural history." 12mo, cloth, \$3.

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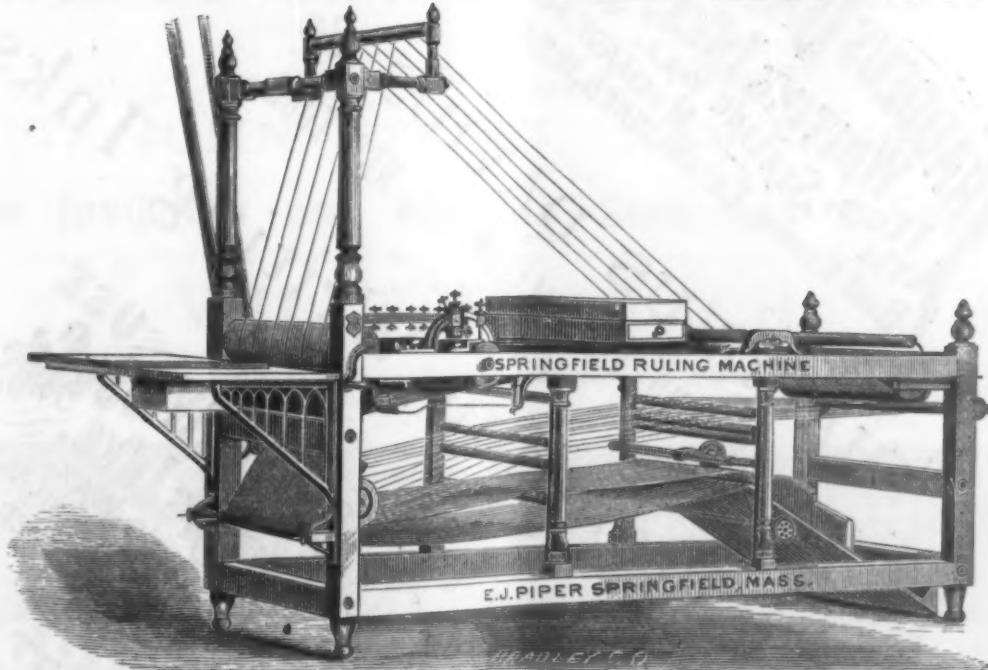
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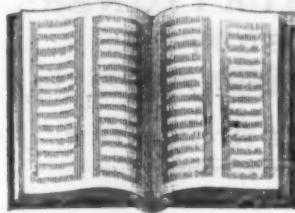
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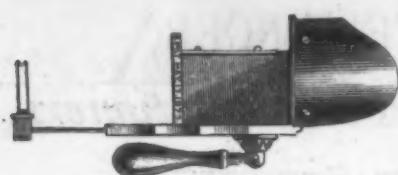
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